

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

June 11, 2014

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**A.) ITEM # CLAIMS FOR INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. PURPOSE: RECEIPT OF CLAIMS.

REPORT OF: CITY CLERK

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: CLAIMS FOR INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE

CLAIMANTS NAME

Colon, Vanessa

Harrison, Shirley by her Atty. Cynthia I. Crockett

Manuele, Anthony P.

Tokarzewski, Waldemar by Atty. Richard W. Mather

Mark H. Bernacki
City Clerk

OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

**B.) ITEM # STEVEN KRAUSS, ET AL V. CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, ET AL

REPORT OF: Office of Corporation Counsel

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: STEVEN KRAUSS, ET AL V. CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, ET AL

Please be advised that Summary Judgment has been ordered in favor of the City of New Britain Defendants by the United States District Court Honorable Judge Shira A. Scheindlin on May 23, 2014 in the above captioned matter. On February 14, 2012, the City of New Britain Defendants filed a Motion for Summary Judgment on the grounds that the individual defendants had probable cause or arguable probable cause to arrest and search plaintiffs, or alternatively, that plaintiffs consented to the searches. The Honorable Court held that: 1.) arrests were supported by probable cause; 2.) City Defendants relied on a tip of a citizen informant

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whose reliability was presumed; 3.) City Defendants independently corroborated a number of the elements of the informant's tip; 4.) Even if defendants lacked probable cause to arrest plaintiffs, they were nonetheless entitled to qualified immunity; 5.) City Defendants had probable cause to conduct a warrantless search of the motor vehicle; 6.) As to the excessive force, due process and equal protection claims, the plaintiffs' failed to show the use of force was unreasonable and that they were subjected to differential treatment; and 7.) As to the Monell Claim, the plaintiffs failed to establish an underlying constitutional violation.

Irena J. Urbaniak
City Attorney

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

****C.) ITEM #** LINE ITEM TRANSFER. PURPOSE: LINE ITEM TRANSFERS WITHIN A DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 22, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 3, 2014.

REPORT OF: Finance Department

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: Line Item Transfers within a department's budget for the period May 22, 2014 through June 3, 2014 (This report for information purposes only)

In accordance with the city of New Britain ordinance of Article VII – Finance, Section 2-494(3), the following departments have transferred monies from one line item to another within their departmental budget (total department budget has not changed). Each transfer will be continuously numbered from month to month throughout the fiscal year. This report represents the transfers executed by the mayor in accordance with the aforementioned ordinance for the period ending June 3, 2014

- 12. Department: Common Council
From: 001101001-5121 (Full Time Salaries)
To: 001101001-5124 (Part Time Salaries) Amount:
\$3,000.00
Brief Description: Additional money needed to cover part time salaries account than what was originally budgeted. Full time staff retired last fiscal year and worked part time from 7/1/13 – 12/27/13
- 13. Department: Voters – Democrat
From: 001104001-5331 (Professional Services)
To: 001104001-5122 \$1,500.00 (Overtime)
001104001-5124 \$2,000.00 (Part Time Salaries)
Amount: \$3,500.00
Brief Description: Ward 5 Special Election January 7, 2014. Additional funds needed as event was not originally budgeted

Rebecca Salerni
Deputy Finance Director

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

****D.) ITEM #** ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES. PURPOSE: CURTIS STREET WATER MAIN RELOCATION FOR THE DOT BRIDGE PROJECT FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF: Finance Dept., Purchasing Div.

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: On-Call Engineering Services
DATE: June 11, 2014

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The following on-call engineering project has been requisitioned following the award by the Common Council for on-call engineering contracts, Bid #3620, approved at its Regular Meeting of October 26, 2011. This project was presented and approved by the Water Commission at their June 10, 2014 meeting. The Connecticut Department of Transportation will reimburse the City for the total cost of this On-Call Engineering Service.

Project Name: Curtis Street Water Main Relocation, DOT Bridge Project
Vendor: Lenard Engineering, Inc.
Amount: \$42,700.00
Line Items: 93035001100-5331 Water Capital Improvements, Professional Services
Requested By: Public Works Department/Utilities Division

Scope: Lenard Engineering, Inc. will work with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) and their engineering firm, Close, Jensen and Miller (CJM), on the design of the Curtis Street Bridge over Route 72 that will require the relocation of the Utilities Division's water main. Lenard Engineering, Inc. will obtain preliminary mappings of the water main location that CJM has on file. They will review the mappings to verify the size and the horizontal and vertical locations of the water main to make sure they are correct. Lenard Engineering, Inc. will then develop final plans, details and technical specifications for the relocation of the water main that will be given to CJM to be utilized by the DOT in their bid documents for this project. They will attend or conduct any meetings throughout the project. Once the Bridge Project has been started, Lenard Engineering, Inc. will provide construction administration services for the Utilities Division. They will conduct site observations during the construction phase to assure the work to relocate the water main is being performed by the contractor per the DOT plans and specifications. Lenard Engineering, Inc. will be available during the bidding and construction phases to represent the City and to answer any questions there may be regarding the water main relocation.

Resolved: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a Purchase Order for \$42,700.00 to Lenard Engineering, Inc. to provide On-Call Engineering services for the Curtis Street Water Main Relocations for the DOT Bridge Project for the Public Works Department, Utility Division.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

**E.) ITEM # PUBLIC BID NO. 3793. PURPOSE: 2014 TRENCH REPAIR PROGRAM OF VARIOUS CITY STREETS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF: Finance Dept., Purchasing Division

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: Public Bid No. 3793, 2014 Trench Repair Program of Various City Streets for the Public Works Department

DATE: June 11, 2014

Public Bid No. 3793 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the 2013 Trench Repair Program of Various City Streets for the Public Works Department. Funding is available for this purchase within the Public Works Department's account number 0082950302-5454, Capital Projects, Street Infrastructure Rehab.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to forty (40) Road Construction Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Road Construction Companies on the mailing list indicating they could not provide a response to the bid request. Only one (1) response was received as per attached.

The bid was reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Public Works Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Martin Laviero Contractor, Inc. was awarded the bid for the Trench Repair Program of Various City Street the last time it was put out to Bid in 2013. They conducted the trench repairs of various City streets in a timely manner and their work was top quality and met all of the bid specifications. Therefore the Public Works Director is recommending that the bid be awarded again to Martin Laviero Contractor, Inc. of Bristol, CT.

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RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$202,039.00 and enter into a contract with Martin Laviero Contractor, Inc. of Bristol, CT for the 2014 Trench Repair Program of Various City Streets for the Public Works Department per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No. 3793.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

**F.) 32734 RESPONSE TO PETITION 32734. PURPOSE: REPAIR OF COVER TO THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER CO. UTILITY VAULT.

REPORT OF: Department of Public Works

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #: 32734

RE: Repair of large pothole in the vicinity of 70 High Street

The Department of Public Works did an inspection of the pothole in response to Petition #32734. With the aid of the photograph provide, we determined the pothole was a cover to a Connecticut Light and Power Co. Utility Vault. We contacted Connecticut Light and Power Co. and they have replaced the vault cover and an additional three other covers of the same style with new covers that are more current with City standards. This was verified by the Department of Public Works with an inspection on June 5, 2014.

Michael J. Caruso
City Surveyor
Dept. of Public Works

REPORTS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE

PLANNING, ZONING AND HOUSING

**G.) 32685 ROBERT J. LOUGHERY WAY. PURPOSE: CHANGE THE NAME OF HERALD DRIVE TO ROBERT J. LOUGHERY WAY.

REPORT OF: COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND HOUSING

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #: 32685

RE: Change the name of Herald Drive to Robert J. Loughery Way

The Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing held a regular meeting and public hearing on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of item #32685 – Change the name of Herald Drive to Robert J. Loughery Way, voted to accept and recommend that the following be referred back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.
Chair

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**H.) 32688 AMEND SECTION 7-1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES. PURPOSE: TO REQUIRE A \$25.00 FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL IN A SITUATION WHERE A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS NOT REQUIRED.

REPORT OF: COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND HOUSING

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #: 32688

RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SEC 7-1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

The Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing held a regular meeting and public hearing on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of item #32688 – Amend section 7-1 of the Code of Ordinances to require a fee for issuance of a certificate of approval in a situation where a certificate of occupancy is not required, voted to accept and recommend that the following be referred back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.
Chair

**I.) 32729 CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY. PURPOSE: CONVEYANCE OF 66 BARNES STREET FOR REHABILITATION AND HOUSING.

REPORT OF: COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND HOUSING

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #: 32729

RE: Purchase and Sale Agreement for 66 Barnes Street

The Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing held a regular meeting and public hearing on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of item #32729 – Purchase and sale agreement with Vito Previti and Tammi Antolini-Previti for 66 Barnes Street, voted to accept and recommend that the following be referred back to the Common Council with a neutral recommendation.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.
Chair

RESOLUTIONS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE

1.) 32685 ROBERT J. LOUGHERY WAY. PURPOSE: CHANGE THE NAME OF HERALD DRIVE TO ROBERT J. LOUGHERY WAY. S. BIELINSKI, W. PABON

Item #32685 RE: To change the name of Herald Drive to Robert J. Loughery Way.

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS; the existing Robert J. Loughery Way is set to be abandoned by the city and absorbed into the area designated for CT Fasttrack for the bus way; and

WHEREAS; Robert J. Loughery was an active community member of the City of New Britain and an advocate for cancer patients and due to his involvement and giving nature in helping so many city residents with transportation to obtain needed treatment, a street across from 125 Columbus Boulevard was named Robert J. Loughery Way in his honor; and

WHEREAS; Robert J. Loughery was a native of New Britain, an employee of Stanley Works and brother of Lt. John "Jack" Loughery, a City police officer for 24 years; and

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WHEREAS; the City of New Britain is committed to honoring previous members of the community, and shall consider renaming Herald Drive, which is located between Chestnut Street and Herald Square, to Robert J. Loughery Way; and

WHEREAS; this street will be designated for use by police cruisers to allow access to Chestnut Street from the garage and it is the request and the desire to maintain the honor of Robert J. Loughery in close proximity to the Police Station; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that contingent upon the abandonment of the current street of the same name, Mayor Erin E. Stewart and the Common Council of the City of New Britain approve the name change of Herald Drive to Robert J. Loughery Way.

Alderman Suzanne Bielinski
Alderman Wilfredo Pabon

2.) 32688 AMEND SECTION 7-1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES. PURPOSE: TO REQUIRE A \$25.00 FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL IN A SITUATION WHERE A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS NOT REQUIRED. W. PABON

Item #32688 RE:

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolution Summary: INTENT AND PURPOSE: To require a \$25.00 fee for issuance of a Certificate of Approval in a situation where a Certificate of Occupancy is not required.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN that SECTION 7-1 of Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances, City of New Britain, be amended as follows: (inserted text appears in underline; deleted text appears in ~~strike through~~; new sections begin with the word [new].
ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 7-1. Building permit fees and other regulations--Generally.

(a) No permit to begin work for new construction alteration, removal, demolition or other building operation shall be issued until the fees prescribed in this chapter shall have been paid to the building official (or other authorized municipal agency), nor shall an amendment to a permit necessitating an additional fee because of an increase in the estimated cost of the work involved be approved until the additional fee shall have been paid.

(b) The fees for building permits shall be thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for construction, alteration, removal, repair, demolition or other building operations per first one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of value or portion thereof, twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for second one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of value or portion thereof and fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for every one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or fraction thereof cost in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00). These fees are to be charged for building permits for new construction or repairs or alterations for all classes of work related to building construction.

(c) The fee for a certificate of occupancy to be issued pursuant to this Code shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for construction, alteration, removal, repair, demolition or other building operations per each thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of value or portion thereof up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) and one dollar (\$1.00) for every one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or portion thereof in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

(d) The fees for final re-inspection for construction over five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each trade inspector called for re-inspection. This fee shall apply each time an inspector is called for a final re-inspection.

(e) The fee for a Certificate of Approval to be issued pursuant to this Code shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for substantial compliance with the requirements of this Code, State of Connecticut Building Code, and the International Building Code for all completed work that requires a building permit but does not require a Certificate of Occupancy.

Alderman Wilfredo Pabon

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3.) 32729 CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY. PURPOSE: CONVEYANCE OF 66 BARNES STREET FOR REHABILITATION AND HOUSING. M. TRUEWORTHY

Item #32729 RE: Purchase and Sale Agreement with Vito Previti and Tammi Antolini-Previti for 66 Barnes Street

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolution Summary: PURPOSE. To convey a City of New Britain-owned property for rehabilitation and housing.

WHEREAS, the City of New Britain currently owns property known as 66 Barnes Street which had been acquired through the foreclosure process and has been vacant since 11/30/12; and

WHEREAS, Vito Previti and Tammi Antolini-Previti have offered to purchase the property for Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00) and will rehabilitate the condition of the building; and

WHEREAS, Vito Previti and Tammi Antolini-Previti are owners of Vito and Sons Remodeling LLC and have had past experience in improving the appearance and condition of residential property. They propose to add an addition to the building to increase the square footage, as well as new framing, new siding, new roofing and new mechanics; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of New Britain to have this property rehabbed and restored to the grand list; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Erin E. Stewart, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City of New Britain a Purchase and Sales Agreement with Vito Previti and Tammi Antolini-Previti for property known as 66 Barnes Street and to execute any and all documents necessary for the conveyance of said property in accordance with the terms of said agreement at a sales price not less than Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00).

Alderman Michael Treworthy
Liaison Property Management

NEW RESOLUTIONS

4.) ITEM # BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS. PURPOSE: JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT TO THE NEW BRITAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$41,642. S. BIELINSKI, C. CARLOZZI, JR., W. PABON, E. SANCHEZ, R. SMEDLEY

Item # RE: Budget Appropriation – Police Dept.

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), has funding available under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Program, and,

WHEREAS, these funds are to be used to investigate gang, gun and drug related crimes, direct additional officers to active crime locations in the community and support police public service outreach programs, and,

WHEREAS, there is no requirement for a cash match, and,

WHEREAS, these funds, in the amount of \$41,642, will be used as set forth in the budget listed below, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that Mayor Erin Stewart be granted permission to apply for a Justice Assistance Grant in the sum of \$41,642, as follows:

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Revenue:		
269211150-4223	Federal Revenue	\$ 41,642
Expenditures:		
269211150-5122	OT - Gun Violence/ "Hot Spots"	\$ 23,642
269211150-5122	OT - Community Outreach	\$ 7,000
269211150-5814	Police Explorers	\$ 6,000
269211150-5813	Police Athletic League	\$ 5,000
	Total Expenditures	\$ 41,642

Ald. Suzanne Bielinski - Police Liaison
Ald. Carlo Carozzi, Jr. - Police Liaison
Ald. Wilfredo Pabon - Police Liaison
Ald. Emmanuel Sanchez - Police Liaison
Ald. Robert Smedley - Police Liaison

5.) ITEM # BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS. PURPOSE: UPGRADE NEW BRITAIN'S PREPAREDNESS FOR RESPONSE TO BIOTERRORISM AND OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES.
B. PLATOSZ

Item # RE: Budget Appropriation – Health Department

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Program Objective: to upgrade New Britain's preparedness for response to Bioterrorism (BT), other outbreaks of infectious disease and other public health emergencies. To have the infrastructure in place to perform mass vaccinations/dispensing for the entire population of the city. To prevent or minimize the effects of a public health emergency on the people of the City of New Britain.

Local Program Operation Department: Health, under the supervision of the Director.

Resolution Purpose: To approve the receipt of additional grant funding from the State of Connecticut for period 7/1/14 through 06/30/15

WHEREAS; the State Department of Public Health has notified the City that funding has been awarded in the amount of \$56,954 for the period 7/1/14 through 6/30/15. THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that The Mayor is authorized to sign any necessary and appropriate agreements in order to secure the use of such funds for said program. This approval may be so indicated by the Town Clerk signing and attesting to this resolution; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the amount of \$56,954 be appropriated into Special Revenue Fund #245, Bioterrorism Planning Program as follows:

Public Health Preparedness (1)		
Revenue:		
245522142-4222	State of CT – BT	\$ 56,954
Expenditures:		
245522142-5121	Full Time Salaries	\$ 13,455
245522142-5231	Medicare	\$ 4,709
245522142-5876	Administration	\$ 1,400
245522142-5611	Office Supplies	\$ 500
245522142-5337	Training & Education /Drills	\$ 750
245522142-5331	Professional Services	\$ 36,140
	Total Expenditures	\$ 56,954

Alderman Adam Platosz

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6.) ITEM # IMMUNIZATION GRANT CONTRACT AMENDMENT. PURPOSE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DECREASE OF FUNDS TO REFLECT CHANGES IN THE PROGRAM.
A. PLATOSZ

Item # RE: Health Department Immunization Grant Contract Amendment

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Program Objective: Patient, parent and medical staff education; tracking of infants born at area hospitals; assessment of medical practices; surveillance for communicable diseases; and public education for prevention of communicable diseases to avoid the serious consequences of these diseases and to extend and improve the quality of New Britain resident's lives through immunizations. The initial year of grant funding, 1995.

Local program Operation Department: Health, under the supervision of the director

WHEREAS; the Health Department of the City of New Britain has an existing contract with the State Department of Public Health to provide immunization tracking and education services for New Britain residents through 12/31/2015.

WHEREAS; due to the resignation of the Immunization Coordinator in October 2013, the program had been inactive until May 2014 when a new Immunization Coordinator joined the Department, the Department of Public Health has issued a contract amendment to decrease funds for Period 3 to reflect the changes to the program.

WHEREAS; all other provisions of the contract shall remain in full force and effect.

WHEREAS; the State of Connecticut ,Department of Public Health has notified the City that the grant will be funded at \$54,466 for the calendar year 2014; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Mayor be authorized to sign the contract amendment agreement for this program. And

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the amended Special Revenue budget for fund #241, be \$54,466 for the one year period of 1/1/14 through 12/31/14 for the purpose of reflecting the State funding as follows:

REVENUE:		
241522141-4222	Revenue – St of CT	\$54,466
EXPENDITURES:		
241522141-5121	Full Time Salaries	\$40,499
241522141-5122	Overtime	\$ 300
241522141-5231	Medicare	\$ 776
241522141-5220	MERF Employer	\$ 4,856
241522141-5227	Workers	\$ 225
241522141-5876	Administrative Fees	\$ 4,640
241522141-5611	Office Supplies	\$ 500
241522141-5659	Operating Materials & Supplies	\$ 800
241522141-5652	Program Supplies	\$ 500
241522141-5337	Training/Conferences	\$ 505
241522141-5412	Telecommunications	\$ 360
241522141-5580	Travel & Meetings	\$ 505
Total Expenditures		\$54,466

Alderman Adam Platosz, Liaison

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7.) ITEM # BUDGET AMENDMENT. PURPOSE: FY 15 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT.
M. TRUEWORTHY

Item # RE: FY 15 General Fund Budget Amendment

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Whereas, CT General State Statutes require municipalities to fund their Boards of Education at a Minimum Budget Requirement (MBR) on an annual basis. Municipalities that do not annually fund their Boards of Education are penalized at a \$2 reduction of Educational Cost Sharing (ECS) Grant Revenue for every \$1 that was not funded in accordance with MBR. In FY 14, New Britain's MBR is \$123,200,000. In FY 15, the General Fund Budget Local Appropriation to the Board of Education is \$118,800,000.

Whereas, the difference is \$4,400,000 and the estimated penalty for non-compliance would be \$8,800,000 in the reduction of the ECS revenue that the City is expected to receive in FY 15.

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the FY 2014-2015 General Fund Budget be amended for this purpose as follows:

Increase Revenue:		
001624005-XXXX	General & Administrative	\$ 4,400,000
Increase Expenditure:		
001729008-5899	BOE Appropriation	\$ 4,400,000

Whereas, additional money would be needed to restore funding for the Systems of Care Grant and Youth Service Bureau Grant back to current FY 14 funding levels.

Whereas, there are monies available in the Contingency account that can be allocated for this specific purpose,

Therefore, Be it Further Resolved, that the FY 2014-2015 General Fund Budget be transferred for this purpose as follows:

Decrease Expenditure:		
001625101-5871	Admin & Contingency - Contingency	\$ 207,299
001523003-XXXX	Disabilities Commission	\$ 31,917
	Total	\$ 239,216
Increase Expenditure:		
001624005-6010	General & Administrative – Transfer to Other Funds Systems of Care	\$ 47,785
001624005-6010	General & Administrative – Transfer to Other Funds Youth Service Bureau	\$ 191,431
	Total	\$ 239,216

Alderman Michael Trueworthy
Mayor Pro-Tempore

June 11, 2014

8.) ITEM # PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM. PURPOSE: TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS FOR HOMEOWNERS, SENIOR CITIZENS, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, VETERANS AND LOW INCOME PROPERTY. M. TRUEWORTHY

Item # RE: Property Tax Relief Program

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS; The State of Connecticut enables municipalities to adopt various tax relief programs for Homeowners, Senior Citizens, Persons with Disabilities, Veterans and Low Income Property; THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED; a Resolution will be submitted for substitution and referral to the appropriate committees with respect to the above matter.

Alderman Michael Trueworthy

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 32554 RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN AND LOCAL 1186.
TABLED 11/13/2013
- 32697 REPORT OF PURCHASING DEPT. RE: ON CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES – LANDFILL AND RECYCLING CENTER COMPLIANCE MONITORING – PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.
TABLED 04/23/2014
- 32719 REPORT OF PURCHASING DEPT. RE: HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS AT THE SENIOR CENTER
TABLED 5/14/2014